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SUBJECT: CIVAIR - CAB CONFIRMS TRAVEL GROUP CHARTERS

1. THE CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD ON MARCH 20 ADOPTED AN AMENDMENT TO PART 372A OF ITS REGULATIONS COVERING TRAVEL GROUP CHARTERS (TGC) WHICH DELETES THE TERMINATION DATE ON THE TGC RULE (DEC 31, 1975).

2. WHEN THE TGC RULE WAS FIRST PROMULGATED THE BOARD CONSIDERED THE FIXED AND RELATIVELY BRIEF TERMINATION DATE NECESSARY TO EMPHASIZE ITS EXPERIMENTAL NATURE. IN ITS EXPLANATORY STATEMENT, THE BOARD STATES THAT ITS DECISION TO REMOVE THE TERMINATION DATE WAS PROMPTED BY "DEVELOPMENTS" DURING THE TWO YEARS SINCE THE TGC RULE WAS ISSUED. THE STATEMENT REFERRED SPECIFICALLY TO THE INSTITUTION OF PROCEEDINGS AT THE BOARD LOOKING TOWARD THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ADDITIONAL NEW TYPES OF CHARTERS AND THE ACTUAL EXPERIENCE WITH TGC OPERATIONS. THE BOARD CONCLUDED "IN LIGHT OF THOSE INTERVENING EVENTS, WE WERE INCLINED TO BELIEVE THAT IT WAS NO LONGER REALISTIC TO FEAR THAT TGCS ALONE MIGHT HAVE SO GREAT A DIVERSIONARY IMPACT ON SCHEDULED SERVICE AS HAD SEEMED THEORETICALLY POSSIBLE AT THE TIME THIS RULE WAS ADOPTED." THEREFORE THE BOARD CONSIDERS THAT IT IS NOT REASONABLE TO SINGLE THIS PARTICULAR TYPE OF CHARTER FOR FURTHER DESIGNATION AS AN EXPERIMENT SUBJECT TO AUTOMATIC TERMINATION AT THE FIXED DATE. THE BOARD'S STATEMENT WARNED HOWEVER, THAT THIS ACTION SHOULD NOT BE CONSTRUED AS EVIDENCING AN IRREVOCABLE COMMITMENT TO THE TGC CONCEPT AND THE BOARD SHALL CONTINUE TO RELY ON ITS BROAD AUTHORITY" TO CONTROL AVAILABILITY OF THIS TYPE OF CHARTER BY APPROPRIATE REGULATORY ACTION FROM TIME TO TIME AS WARRANTED."

3. ADDRESSEE POSTS SHOULD ADVISE LOCAL CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITIES OF THIS CHANGE IN US CHARTER RULES. KISSINGER

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